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Dear Sir:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced patent are the following documents:

1. Transmittal Form;
2. Amendment (Pages 1 – 16);
3. Communication – Related Applications;
4. Cover Letter, and
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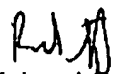
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